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Smoking only in one place at Symmes Hospital pressures employees into cutting down on their habits

BAN ON SMOKE:

Symmes Hospital smoking policy helps some to quit, peeves others

BY MARGARET BURNS

A no-smoking policy begun two years ago at Symmes Hospital in Arlington has not only kept the air clear for non-smokers, but has encouraged some smokers to reduce or quit their habits.

There is only one room — not conveniently located — in Symmes where staff — no patients — can smoke Visitors and patients may not smoke unless they have special permission.

Symmes was the first hospital in Massachusetts to implement such a strict smoking policy. Even though it is working well, it was not easy at first.

Several years ago, the administation decided to take stand on smoking and serve as a role model for the tients and employees of Symmes, as well as the general

Fran Lipson, vice president for human resources at Choate-Symmes Health Services, said the hospital administration felt it had a responsibility to the public to demonstrate a better health environment. From the president down through the ranks of the administration, she said, everyone agreed to act on a strict smoking

Symmes started by implementing a limited smoking policy in 1984 that designated five areas for smoking. By August of 1985 the administration was able to reduce the

smoking areas to one, said Lipson.

She was surprized that it moved so quickly because there was strong oppostion from the workers who

In 1984, when the idea was first introduced, a petition was circulated and signed by most of the smoking

While most smokers panicked in the beginning, many are now happy. The policy has nudged them to cut down or, in some cases, quit entirely. Lipson added that the non-smokers are especially pleased because, at least during the day, the air is much cleaner.

"I know that the policy is not as strictly enforced at night," she said, "but it is much better now."

An employee in the emergency reception area, who asked to remain anonymous, said she misses not being able to smoke everywhere. But she thinks the policy is good because she has cut down from three-quarters to half a pack of cigarettes a day. She added that she feels badly for the nurses in the emergency room because their work is very tense, yet they have no place to smoke a quick cigarette.

A non-smoking cafeteria worker, Rhonda Siggins, said she likes the policy because the hospital is much cleaner now and it discourages a lot of people from smoking. She added that many people want to quit and this has

(Please see SMOKE, page 9)

Town board challenges ruling by zoning panel

Decision said to ignore bylaws on lot size

By CAROL BEGGY **Advocate Assistant Editor**

In a rare show of power, the Redevelopment Board is appealing a Zoning Board of Appeals decision that allowed home construction on an apparently undersized lot.

The Redevelopment Board voted unanimously at its meeting Monday to hire private counsel to file an appeal in Middlesex Superior Court seeking to

overturn the ZBA's decision of Sept. 19. That decision allowed a home to be built at lot 37 on Dundee Road. The parcel is smaller than zoning bylaws allow for a home, the Redevelopment

Board maintains Under appeal deadlines the board will have file its case by Oct. 9, said Alan McClennen Jr., director of planning and community development.

The Redevelopment Board does not make a habit of suing the Zoning Board of Appeals. We have only done that in one other instance," said McClennen

The Redevelopment Board decided to appeal the decision because members believed "the Zoning Board of Appeals exceeded its authority, McClennen said

The owners of lot 37 Dundee Road will also be named in the suit. The property consists of two undersized lots with a house on one lot and a yard and driveway on the other. The two had always been sold on one deed, McClennen said.

The ZBA's decision would allow a house to be built on the undeveloped section. The Redevelopment Board is now trying to prevent such construction

Members of the ZBA said they had not been notified of Redevelopment Board's decision. None of the members who had been present at the Sept. 19 meeting could be reached for comment

McClennen said the Redevelopment Board's concern is based on its work on the zoning laws of the town. 'The Redevelopment Board was the author of the zoning bylaw ... and is seeking to make sure that the bylaw is upheld," he said.

There are more than 100 undersized lots in Arlington that could be developed if the ZBA's decision were allowed to stand, according to Redevelopment Board members

'I'm concerned about why they

'Small lots are a major issue in the town of Arlington," said McClennen. The Zoning Board of Appeals has not granted variances for small lots in the

At the same meeting that the ZBA granted the variance for the Dundee Road property, it also granted an undersized-lot variance for a property on Beck Road.

Because the Redevelopment Board had allowed the appeal date to pass, however, it was unable to also sue the ZBA on the Beck Road decision.

'The board is upset about Beck Road because the very same petition was denied three years ago by a different Zoning Board of Appeals," said

allowed this to be approved," said McClennen. "Now, with no new evidence, it was approved." evidence, it was approved.

The ZBA can approve variances for undersized lots if the owner or developer can show why the town's bylaws cause them a hardship and should be altered in their instance.

McClennen said board members are confident about their decision because of an appeal made in Arlington about 10 years ago in which the court said there was "no unique hard ship" to the owner and the ZBA deci sion was overturned.

"The zoning laws set the guidelines and the Redevelopment Board wants to make sure they are followed," said McClennen. "If Town Meeting decides they are too stringent, that is where they should be changed.

Chamber examines Stop & Shop issue

By CAROL BEGGY Advocate Assistant Editor

Although the Arlington Chamber of Commerce surveyed its members and found they were 3 to 1 against the proposed Super Stop & Shop, the chamber has issued a position paper outlining both the benefits and detriments of the

'We wanted to look at both sides and provide an informational guide to the people making the decisions of what our members were thinking," said Leonard Talkov, president of the chamber

"Many of our members are concerned about how a new store would affect local small businesses, but we think there are a lot of issues that need to be looked at before a decision is made." said Talkov

The Arlington Chamber of Commerce represents nearly 250 businesses in Arlington, with a few coming from Lexington and Cambridge.

The Stop & Shop Co. does not belong to the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, although it has been asked to join, Talkov said.

'Our concern is not about this par ticular store or business, it's about what all is happening with the project." he said.

Arguments in favor of the project include increased town revenue through either taxes or rental fees; possible lower prices for the consumer and a greater variety of goods; the project could spur further commercial development; and a swimming pool could offer a greater recreational use

Another argument in favor of the project is the generation of town revenue through an outright sale of land, rather than a long-term lease, according to the chamber's position

than the town presently receives from

the field

If the land were sold at a fair market value — the chamber gave an 'We think there are a lot of issues that need to be looked at before a decision is made.'

— Leonard Talkov

example of \$3 million - the money could be put in a capital improvement fund with the principle used each year for town projects.

Arguments against the project include increased traffic along Massachusetts Avenue, Grove Street. Summer Street and the industrial area along Dudley Street, and the possibly prohibitive costs for insurance and maintenance of a swimming pool

Some Chamber of Commerce members are concerned about the town setting a "dangerous" precedent by circumventing the open bidding process and offering town-owned land to an abutter through direct negotiations.

Small businesses, many of whom support the chamber and town projects, could lose business, according to the chamber's paper

Another concern raised by the chamber is how the town could be sure it would be adequately compensated for use of the land if it enters into a long-term lease.

There are a number of issues on all sides. We thought it better serve us to present both sides." said Talkov We found that many of our members were not in favor of the project, but in some areas people were split. I think it's too early for us to come out on one

(See CHAMBER, page 11)

Five candidates on file as running in election

months away, five residents have declared candidacy for seats on the Board of Selectmen and School As of Tuesday, Arthur Speros of

16 Iroquois Road is on record at the Town Clerk's office as seeking a selectman's seat. Selectmen Chair woman Janemarie Hillier of 3 Florence Ave is seeking re-election Two three-year seats on the five

member selectmen's board are up for grabs, with Hillier's current term ex piring and former selectman Robert Murray stepping down. Three three-year seats on the nine-member School Committee are also up

this spring. Seats opening are now held by Michael Peters, William O'Brien and Janice Bakey

Bakey, of 15 Fountain Road, and O'Brien, of 11 Mystic View Terrace. are seeking re-election.

Also seeking a School Committee seat is Lawrence Clinton Jr. of 399 Pine

Ridge Road. A seat on the Board of Assessors is open. While no one has yet declared intentions to run, the seat is being held in the interim by Kevin Feeley, who was appointed to take over when

Robert Greeley resigned to take the

With town elections more than six director of assessor's position A five-year seat on the Housing

Authority held by John Cusack is open as of the election. No one has declared intentions yet to seek it. The exact date of the election, while almost certainly in April, has not been determined. An act of the state

Legislature is required for the date to The election, however, must fall at

least 30 days before or after the Presidential primary, which is March The position opened on the Board of

Selectmen with Murray's Sept. 24 resignation has yet to be filled. Murray resigned because he moved from Arlington to West Harwich. State law requires elected officials who move out of their constituancy to step down from

An appointing authority of the four remaining selectmen and the town moderator will meet soon to choose a successor to Murray. That person will serve up until the election.

Selectmen were scheduled to meet last night, Oct. 7, to set a date for the appointing authority to convene. The meeting came after The Advocate

Fine likely, again, at Rembrandt By CAROL BEGGY

Advocate Assistant Edito

The developers of the Rembrandt condominium project, on the site of the old Cherny furniture store, could find themselves facing a \$1,300 fine for violating an order of conditions issued by the Arlington Conservation Commission. Last week, the commission issued

a cease and desist order and an enforcement order when the developers Rose-Mal Heritage Realty Trust, began excavation for a storm drain at the Massachusetts Avenue project without being given the go-ahead from the commission

If the enforcement order is ratified at a meeting tonight, Oct. 8, Rose-Mal Heritage Realty Trust could face fines of up to \$300 for violating the order under local laws, and \$1,000 a day for the violation under state wetland laws

Members of the Conservation Commission are likely to ratify the enforce (See REMBRANDT, page 10) Open house-



Parents attend Shelley Brugman's biology class as part of an open house last Thursday at Arlington High School. Parents followed their children's schedules and sat in on 15-minute mini classes as a way of better understanding the high school's programs and their children's curricula.

Town Meeting eyed later in spring and in fall

By CAROL BEGGY

Members of a task force reviewing the town's legislative process will recommend to selectmen that the date for the annual Town Meeting be mov ed up to April and that there be a regularly scheduled fall Town Meeting

The suggestions are part of the task force's plans to better organize the Town Meeting schedule, warrant system and recommendation process

The task force was formed in June by selectmen after criticism of the Town Meeting's inefficiency disorganization and poor attendance

This year Town Meeting will be held on the third Monday in April rather than the third Monday in March because of the state Legislature has moved the date for spring elections

The task force will ask selectmen to submit a

warrant article to amend the by-laws that would permanently move the date to April

At a meeting yesterday, task force members said there is usually enough town business in the fall to merit establishing a regular fall Town

T can think of three things right now that a fall Town Meeting could vote on," said Town Moderator

(Please see MEETING, page 11)

Herlihy exhibited at Fox Branch

Former president of the Arlington Art Association Ruth Kelley Herlihy will be exhibiting her paintings at the Fox Library during the month of

Herlihy works mainly in oil with the exception of some pastels and has continued to refine her work by recently studying still life under the tutelage of Leah Sullivan of

Wetherbee photos **displayed** at library

Award-winning photographs by Neil Wetherbee, internationally acclaimed photographic artist and Arlington resident, will be on display in the gallery of the Art and Music Room, Robbins Library, through the month of October. A selection of Wetherbee's photographs will represent Arlington in an exhibit in Kyoto, Japan in November as part of the World Exposition of Historical Cities. Some of the Photographs will also become part of a permanent exhibit in Nagaokakyo, Japan — Arlington's sister city — as the first step in an exchange with the city

Wetherbee's accomplishments as a photographer are impressive. Since taking up photography as a hobby in 1968, he has earned the title EFIAP "Excellence," by the Federation International de l'Arte Photographique. He has exhibited more than 1,000 photographs in international exhibitions in more than 30 countries and over 40 states, garnering some 50 gold, silver and bronze medal awards. Wetherbee's work consists largely of New England sunrises, sunsets, seascapes and landscapes. Although he has won top awards in nature, photojournalism, portraiture, contemporary expressive and travel competitions, pictorial photography is his specialty. A number of the awardwinning photographs on display have

Wetherbee is currently a member of the Arlington Arts Council and a past president of the Arlington Art Association. He has taught numerous courses in photography in schools, libraries and photographic organizations and as a volunteer in the Arlington schools

been exhibited in museums both here

Leaf collages at jr. library

A craft workshop for children ages 5 to 9 will be held in the Robbins Junior Library on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 10:30 a.m. Two examples of collage making with fall leaves and other seasonal materials will be demonstrated and materials will be provided so that children attending may try both. Advance sign-up is requested for this 45-minute workshop; call 646-1000, ext. 4306 or come in per son to the Junior Library desk.

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Awards.

It is directed by Vincent Minelli and stars Gene Kelly and Leslie Caron, supported by Oscar Levant, Georges Guetary and Nina Foch.

score, and is winner of six Academy

Poll lists

favorite books

"Gone With the Wind," "The Bi Stephen King and Erma Bombeck are the big winners in a "Reader's Poll" sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) in honor of the Year of the Reader.

A "strictly for fun, nonscientific" poll celebrating the pleasures of reading, the Reader's Poll was distributed by the Robbins Library and 767 other libraries during National Library Week, April 5-11. About 62,200 readers responded, including a presidential contender, former president, prime minister and chairman of the board.

Results were announced by Linda Wallace, director of the ALA Public Information Office, at the ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco.

'Gone With the Wind' was the clear "reader's choice" for "Best Book Read," with well over half the votes cast by 20,450 adults (about three quarters of them women). Newspaper columnist Ann Landers was among them, nominating "Gone With the Wind"both as her personal favorite and the book having the greatest influence on her life.

Other books nominated as "best" ranged from "The Bible" to current best-sellers, there being a marked preference for romantic, multigenerational family sagas. Author James Michener had the most books nominated. "The Thorn Birds" by Colleen McCullough was another

Some readers said they couldn't limit themselves to one title. British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher listed "Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy" by John leCarre, "The First Choice" by Alexander Solzhenitsyn, "The Spirit of England" by Sir Arthur Bryant and "The Seed and the Sower" by Sir Laurens Van der Post among her current favorites

Some opted for childhood favorites, including "The Cat in the Hat" and "Pollyana" ("I read it five times"). Sally Ride, the first woman astronaut in the U.S., chose "Winnie

Putting children next to nature

Center store puts priority on pure fabrics, materials

By ANNE-MARIE SELTZER

'We believe children are a blessing from God. By surrounding children with the beauty, grace, and healthfulness of God-given things, we hope to nurture their souls as well as their minds and bodies.'

These words summarize the business philiosophy of The Shepherd and the Lamb, one of Arlington Center's new businesses. Opened in April 1986 by David Newhouse and his partner Eric Leibowitz, The Shepherd and the Lamb celebrates childhood with books, toys, musical tapes, and the area's largest selection of natural fibre clothing (cotton and wool) for children up to seven years of age. In June, the store was given a Best of Boston designation by Boston Magazine for its baby and children's

"At first, a few people thought we're a religious store - our name seems to give that connotation," said Newhouse. "However, our focus isn't religion, it's children. Eric suggested

The business came about, Newhouse said, because of a very specific need. He said, "My wife and I as well as many of our friends prefer to dress our kids in cotton clothing and to have them play with toys that aren't plastic. We also want the books they read to have a certain atmosphere. Although clothing and toys of this type are often available through mail order catalogues, there wasn't any one place that offered a large variety of natural fibre clothing as well as toys, books, and music. We

wanted to fill that need. The father of two daughters, Newhouse is concerned about raising children today. "In many respects, our society makes children grow up immediately. Their existence is too pressured and they aren't allowed to be young," he said

Newhouse counterbalances this attitude with his own philosophy, which has been printed, framed, and hung on a wall in the shop for customers to



David Newhouse of The Shepherd and the Lamb, a children's natural clothing and article store in Arlington Center, tries to avoid plastics and synthetics. (Paul Drake photo)

see. "We want to appeal to the sensitivity and openness of children, offer things with a sense of wonder and beauty in them, and foster respect for nature, family, and traditional

"We try to create a relaxed atmosphere for the customers and their children. We have a playpen set up for little ones and a train table for toddlers so they'll have something to do while their parents shop. Most of my employees are mothers, which works out very well

Newhouse gets his merchandise from major manufacturers and small local companies. He purchases toys from local craftspeople whenever possible, but emphasizes the fact that we're not in the crafts business.

Alongside his store philosophy is a statement regarding prices. "Our goal is to offer quality merchandise at reasonable prices and we try to make things affordable to as many people as possible. Most of our prices aren't bargain basement, but they are reasonable for what you're getting, he said.

"If any item is really special, such as our lambswool rabbit, we'll reduce the price to make it more affordable According to Newhouse, most mer

chandise ranges in price from 5° to \$50. One exception is a cotton christening dress imported from China, which costs \$77. "My favorite items are the lambswool finger pup pets in animal shapes, and the special occasion dresses that I buy for my daughters," Newhouse said.

Besides the clothing, books. cassette tapes and toys, Newhouse. stocks birth plaques, Peter Rabbit Growth Charts, three-piece stoneware dish sets, and a jug bank. One of his newest items is New Zealand lambskin. Originally placed under premature babies to help them grow faster, lambswool is soft, warm, and porous, which prevents suffocation if a baby buries its face in it.

Although more than half of Newhouse's customers come from outside Arlington, he receives considerable support from within the town. "The enthusiasm of our customers is overwhelming," he said

Located at the corner of Medford Street and Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington Center, The Shepherd and the Lamb is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Thursday evening until 8 p.m. For more information, call 641-2520

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Halloween Origins Witchcraft and; the Mysteries

7:00 p.m.: Arlingion S. Forum, Topic: Professional Develop ment Studies in Travel

7/30 p.m. Sew With Marnie. Recycling Skirts" part 1.

8 00 p.m. Panel discussion taped

at Arlington High School on Monday

Oct. 9, Friday

10/30 a.m. Healthguard, Topic Demystifying Alzheimers Disease

10 45 a.m. Just Around The Corner

11 00 a.m. Hye Lites, a monthly Armenian TV series

11 30 a m. The Senior Health.

Monttor Program offered by Visiting Nurse and Community Health. 12 00 pm The Larry Glick Show.

Repeat of Wednesday night, please no phone calls

Oct. 10, Saturday

10 00 a m. Songs From The Circle with Hugh Hanley

10 30 a m. The Jeanie Tibbils

show Show 4 of the series 11 00 a m Alcohol, Drugs and

You Topic Arlington Youth Consultation Center 12 00 p m : RNRTv - Rock 'n Roll

12 30 pm The Eliza Robbins Story Produced by The Arlington Historical Society and Margie Smigel Oct. 13. Tuesday

6 00 p.m. Cable Coffeehouse. Guest Artist Gary Hall

7 00 p.m. Kraus Currents with Sen Richard Kraus and local Journalists

7-30 p.m. Healthguard, Topic Demystifying Alzheimers Disease

7 45 p.m. Just Around The

Corner 8 00 pm Havern On The Hill

with Rep. Robert Havern

8 30 p.m. Harvard Forum, Lec tures from The Kennedy School of

Government Tonight's topic English as an Official Language Oct. 14. Wednesday

30 pm Just Around The

5.45 p.m. The Fit Fifteen, Topic

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Thesda Street residents take first step to suing town

vocate Editor

A group of homeowners on Thesda Street - taking the first step toward suing the town — has hired a lawyer to ask selectmen for \$73,800 to cover flood damage to their properties.

. The four couples say the town is responsible for water damage to their homes and property because a townowned storm drain backed up after heavy rains in November and December 1986.

But for as long as the homeowners have insisted the town pay for the damages, the town has said it is not responsible, that a study by the town

showed the drain to be working in the summer of 1986, and that a third party must have caused the drain to plug.

Now, for the first time, the homeowners have hired an attorney and embarked on what could become a suit against the town. The homeowners are Albin and Tania Baniewicz, Frederick and Sandra Greener, Ernest and Mary Caggiano, and Robert and Rita McCormick.

Mark O'Connor, a lawyer with the Medford firm of Fleming and Miranda, wrote to selectmen last week saying the town bears a legal responsibility for the flooding and resulting

"You may consider this a demand for compensation ...," O'Connor wrote. The \$73,800 sum, he said, represents the aggregate amount of damage done to the four pieces of property.

The property owners' insurance companies have refused to pay for the water damage to the houses. Residents of the area have met with selectmen several times and explained the damage, costs and their feelings of

Some of the property owners say the town is stonewalling them, and that they are being forced to pay thousands of dollars for something they are not responsible for causing

tion, called the Housing Corporation of

Maher will examine the question of

Murray's legitimacy on the task force

because Murray was appointed to it

necessary to serve on a task force,

Murray resigned Sept. 24 as a selectman after he learned he could

not legally retain his position after

continue working for affordable hous-

ing in Arlington, Murray said he still

feels committed to affordable housing.

He said some projects "could fall into

Murray expressed interest in

When asked why he still wanted to

moving to Cape Cod.

Arlington.

If the town does not respond to the demand within six months, it is legally considered a denial to pay, and sets the stage for a civil suit. If the town denies the request outright, a suit could

O'Connhor said Tuesday that he hopes the town will pay the sum

Town Manager Donald Marquis said the town is waiting for the owner and developer of the land adjacent to the Thesda Street, Thomas True of Eastern Harbor Associates in Somerville, to begin work on replacing the storm drain. Replacing the drain is the first step in the construction of a con-

becoming involved in housing issues on

the Cape as well, and was already

discussing the number of homeless

people there and the need for affor-

Since a quorum was not present, the task force could not officially meet

Tuesday night. Only the corporation

The corporation, discussed a number of housing possibilities, in-

cluding housing cooperatives, buying or leasing land with other organizations, and individual purchases.

ed about some things and I'm hopeful

they'll come through ... After a

number of disappointments, by the law

of averages, one of them is bound to come through," Murray said.

"I'm still hopeful? Tonight we talk-

dable housing for Cape workers.

met in official session

town landfill near the Lexington town

Unearthing the drain, Marquis said, will allow the town to substantiate its claim that a former developer of the site crushed the drain with the weight of soil or heavy equipment. The town does not have liability insurance.

"I think we have an obligation to find out what happened," Marquis said. "The town has an obligation to

find out who's responsible. But O'Connor, representing the homeowners, said it doesn't matter who actually damaged the drain. The town, he said, holds the easement to the land the drain occupies, and should have protected the drain from harm.

'The town cannot escape liability because owners of the property may have dumped debris or dirt on the site. above the culvert," O'Connor wrote to

Selectmen received the letter at their meeting yesterday, Oct. 7, after The Advocate deadline, and were expected to refer it to Town Counsel John Maher for an opinion

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Murray to remain with housing drive

By PATRICIA HORN

pecial to The Advocate Despite stepping down as selectman, Robert Murray will continue to lead a corporation designed to create

affordable housing in Arlington. And, if Town Counsel John Maher rules in his favor, Murray will also continue as chairman of the Affordable reappointed members of the corporation of the Housing Corporation of Housing Task Force.

Members of the task force and its

sister corporation met Tuesday to discuss new possibilities for financing affordable housing in town. They also while a selectman. Residency is not

Water main blows cap at Brattle Street corner

burst may continue for weeks due to the destruction of a section of sidewalk by the thousands of gallons of water that gushed from Massachusetts Avenue and Brattle Street.

The break Monday afternoon caused some minor rush-hour traffic proolems but the Public Works Department was able to keep area houses and businesses supplied with water, said Richard Bowler, director of public

The break occurred at the end of a water main buried six feet below the street in front of the Brattle Pharmacy, Bowler said. Officials are unsure what caused the break

"There's a plug at the end of that

Because of the main is old the depart ment is finding it difficult to locate the proper part.

sidewalk

pletely destroyed by the water," said

"It will take a considerable amount of work to replace the sidewalk because it is all brick and was com-

Walk for Afghan refugees to pass through Arlington

Hundreds of people will walk 10 miles through Cambridge and Arlington, to raise money for humanitarian aid to the many victims of the war in Afghanistan. The Walk for Afghanistan will begin and end at the Cambridge Common, near Harvard Square. The proceeds will benefit the Free Afghanistan Alliance, a non-profit, charitable organization based in Cambridge.

The Walk will start at noon on Sunday, Oct. 18. At the opening ceremony some brief remarks will be made by Alexey Semyonov, the stepson of Andrei Sakharov, and Camelian Sadat,

Menotomy Rocks Park cleanup set

Area residents are invited to come together on Sunday, Oct. 18 to clean up the paths and rock areas of Menotomy Rocks Park. From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. volunteers can work with their neighbors, taking breaks with freshpressed cider and donuts in the pic-

Volunteers should bring gloves, rakes, whisk brooms, and dust pans. The town is providing trash bags and

from 11 a.m.

Committee representative, Sandy

line," said Bowler. "We don't know

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bridge Common to Park Avenue in Arlington Heights, then turn around and walk back to the common. Take with

the daughter of Anwar Sadat.

The entire walk will take place on Massachusetts Avenue. The participants will walk from the Cam-

will pick up the collected trash.

Whether rain or shine, crews will work to clean the glass debris in the rock sections, and pick up trash in the pond, path and picnic areas. Volunteers can gather around the pond area

For further information, call the Wixted at 641-1093

why it blew now. It sat there for 50 or 60 years and just went. Bowler said the department is look ing for a new plug to repair the line.

Crews were working at the site on Tuesday and Wednesday to clean up the area and will be replacing the

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fatigue sets in. Water in the body is imptant for the elimination of waste products nerve function, and other important

YOUR ATTITUDE towards life plays a major role in tatigue. The person wi plan and a goal will live with a vitality that cannot be experienced by one who trudges work because it has to be done.
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However, General Mills has learned that the ball, if placed in the mouth, represents a choking hazard for infants and toddlers.

General Mills has voluntarily halted shipments and has taken steps to remove Cheerios packages containing the "powerball" from grocery store shelves. Cheerios cereal continues to be available in packages not containing the "powerball.

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DANCERS

Abuses prompt designated parking at Maple Street senior center site

Due to abuses of parking spaces at the old Central School on Maple Street the Redevelopment Board voted to establish an assigned parking space system at the building.

The board, which serves as the landlord of the town-owned building. found it necessary to take action after the Planning Department found that people were parking at the building while working in Arlington Center, and in some instances taking the bus into

'We were finding a number of abuses. There are certain times when there were no spaces and a number of the tenants had no yet parked in the " said Alan McClennen Jr., director of planning and community

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development.

The building serves at the town's Senior Center and holds the offices of the weatherization program, the Department of Social Services and the Department of Mental Health.

The tenants were aware of this situation and, actually, this will be a benefit to them," said McClennen at the board's meeting on Monday.

The board's plan will go into effect once the town has the lot marked. spaces and permits assigned and signs posted. Monday's vote also called for violators to be towed

McClennen said there were problems on days when the Senior Center had events planned at the same time offices had scheduled meetings

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'Once others park in the spaces there is no room for the tenants," said McClennan

In recent months, the Planning Department has found the parking spaces on the street in front of the building, Academy Street, have been filling up before 9 a.m.

On some days the cars are lined up all the way the up the hill," said McClennen.

The Planning Department is currently conducting a parking survey for the selectmen's task force on parking.

'It's a problem throughout town, said McClennen. "But in an effort to be a responsible landlord, we are trying to remedy the situation at the Central



Arlington Garden Club members, from left, Mary Nawn, Maureen Cipithorne, president; Betty Linehan, fair chairperson; and Phyllis Roberts, display some of the items to be sold at their annual fair on Oct. 20 and 21. The fair will be held in the Arlington Town Hall Auditorium and will include holiday crafts, baked goods, garden products and supplies, and attic treasures.

SCHOOL NEWS

School lunch menus posted

Remember to eat the School Lunch way, that is, food from each of the four food groups, while you spend the Monday, Oct. 12 holiday away from school. From Oct. 13 through Oct. 16 the Arlington Public Schools present the following menus for your eating pleasure.

ELEMENTARY school children will be served a complete meal for \$1 which includes white milk for strong bone development. Tuesday, Baked Stuffed Shells in home made sauce. dinner roll and chilled fruit. Wednesday. Chow-wich (Ham & Cheese Croissant) is well accompanied by the

taste of lettuce, tomato and pickle chip and chilled fruit. Thursday, brings you the famous home made meat ball sub, whole kernal corn, chilled fruit and cookie. Friday, the Chow Daddy Combination - Pizza tastes great with 100% fruit juice and your Dy-no-mite bar is a must with

A selective menu is served in our SECONDARY schools. Selecting the School Lunch pattern provides 1/3 of each students daily nutritional requirements for \$1.10. A choice of the following entrees are available daily Pizza, cold cut sub, tuna roll, assorted sandwiches and salad plates plus specials indicated as follows. To complete the School Lunch pattern a choice of 2 servings of fruit and vegetable are available plus 8 oz. of

The JUNIOR HIGH school entrees are: Tues., Beef Ravioli with French bread; Wed., Hamburger/Cheeseburger; Thurs., Hot Pastrami with a bulkie roll; Fri., Variety Day.

The SENIOR HIGH menu will be the same as the junior highs, except on Wednesday, when Meat ball sub will be served. Also, served daily are hamburgers, cheeseburgers and choices from our sub and sandwich bar. All of you high school early risers can join us and mingle with your friends every morning for our "AM Wake-Up" service.

SAT prep course offered to students

The Arlington Community Education Program will be offering a SAT (verbal) Prep./Study skills course starting Tuesday, Oct. 13. The course will be held twice weekly (Tuesday and Thursday) for four weeks at Arlington High School from 6:45 p.m. to 9 p.m. provided there is sufficient enrollment. This course is designed for high

school seniors who are taking the SAT, and sophomores and juniors who want to get an early start on test preparation. Students will learn echniques for taking the verbal portion of the SAT, including the analogy, sentence completion, vocabulary and reading sub-tests. These skills will be put to use as students take the actual SAT's (verbal portion) for practice. Note: Some information presented will also be applicable to the math sections of the test. Participants will obtain actual SAT math sub-tests.

In addition, the course will focus briefly on study skills instruction Topics covered will include listening. note taking, memorizing, concentrating, test taking and time managing.

The cost of the course is \$47 plus

a \$23 book and material fee which must accompany registration Register with Linda Garrity at the Arlington Community Education Office, Arlington High School, 869 Massachusetts Ave. or at the high school guidance office. Enrollment is limited If we do not notify you, you have been accepted for this class

Girl Scout activities beginning

Each year thousands of Boston girls, ages 5 to 17, enjoy the fun and adventure found in Girl Scouting From overnight camping under the stars to computer technology, girls have a whole new world to discover

For 75 years Girl Scouting has taught girls to appreciate the out-of doors and to enjoy and respect nature and the environment. Camping, hiking and outdoor studies continue to be a vital part of the program.

Service to the community is another mainstay of the Girl Scout program Troops have adopted resi dents at elder-care facilities, organiz ed clean-ups of parks and ponds created drug awareness programs and helped build community play grounds. And to ensure that their work continues, troops conduct 'follow-up' on their service projects and encourage community participa tion and support.

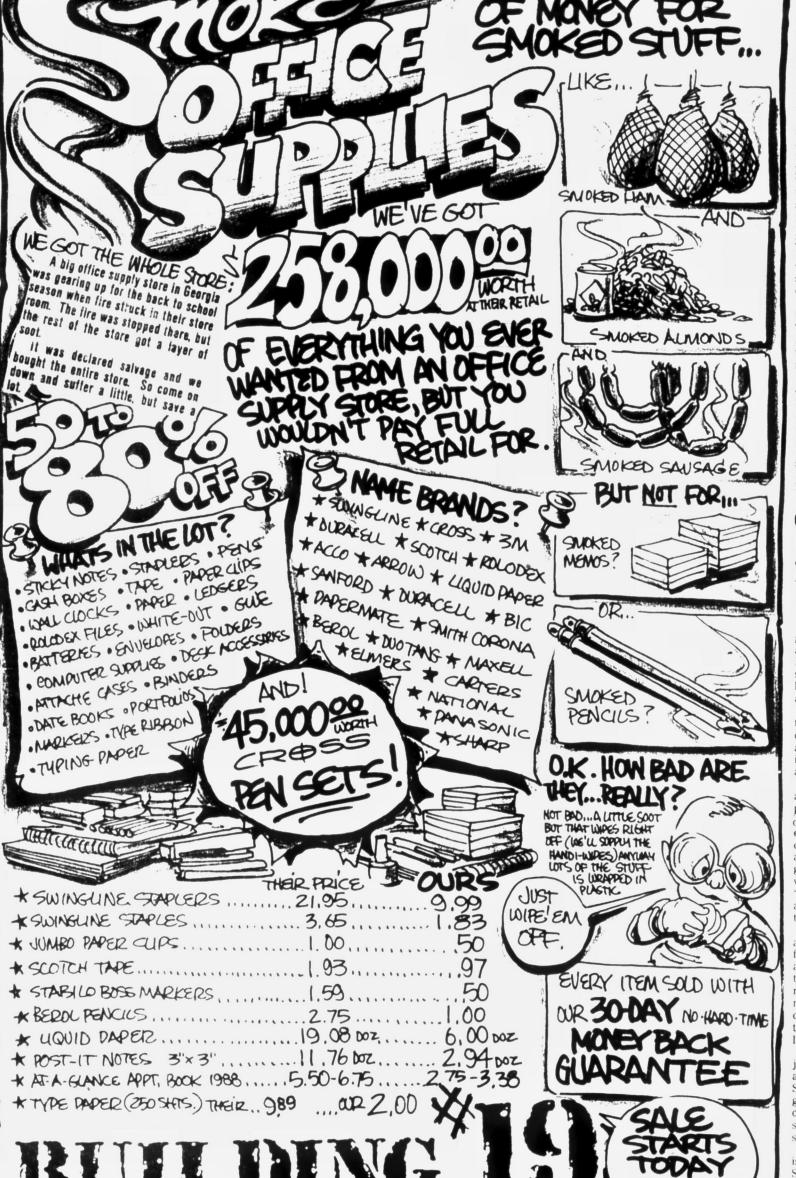
In addition to traditional Girl Scout acitivities, emphasis is placed on in formal educational and career explor ation. Through badgework, girls have the opportunity to learn about communication, computers, business and much more. They develop new inter ests, practice teamwork, and acquire the skills necessary for independent

Outdoor education, service projects, career exploration, but best of all, fun are the foundation of Girl Scouting. It is an opportunity for all girls to make new friends, and to develop leadership, responsibility and self confidence. In Girl Scouting the sky's the limit.

For more information or to register, contact Patriots' Trail Girl Scout Council at Cedar Hill, Waltham.

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Arrests

A 42-year-old Roxbury man was arrested on a charge of threatening a Medford man following an accident at Mass. Avenue and Pleasant Street shortly after 9 a.m. on Sept. 29.

After the accident between a 1986 Chevrolet driven by the Roxbury man and a 1987 Hyundi operated by the Medford man, the Roxbury man allegedly threatened the other man with a 5-inch hunting knife.

The man was arrested and charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. No injuries were reported from the accident.

A 27-year-old Hathaway Circle man was arrested on Sept. 29 on Oakland Avenue, between Waverly and Renfrew streets, after allegedly kicking a man's truck

The man was apparently walking along Oakland Avenue when a Florence Avenue man driving on the road saw that the man was bleeding. After the motorist stopped and ask

ed the man if he needed help, the man kicked in the rear quarter of the Florence Avenue man's 1987 truck,

The Hathaway Circle man was arrested a short time later by police and charged with malicious destruction of property. The man told police he had been in a fight earlier in the evening and was on his way home.

He was taken to Symmes Hospital to be treated for cuts near his right eye and released into police custody On Sept. 30, a 41-year-old Brookline

man was arrested at Massachusetts Ave. after being pulled over for a traffic violation and was found to have outstanding traffic

A 36-year-old Stowecroft Road man was arrested on Sept. 30 in Winchester on an outstanding Somerville traffic warrant. The man had been pulled over for a traffic violation and a background check revealed he defaulted on the Somerville warrant.

Two men were arrested last week in connection with a break-in on Mystic

bridge man at his home on Pemberton Street on Sept. 30 in connection with the break-in of two apartments on Mystic Street.

A warrant had been issued for the man, charging him with three counts of breaking and entering in the daytime and one count of intent to commit larceny

Also, Arlington Police arrested a 37-year-old Everett man on Oct. 1 in connection with the break-in. He was charged with breaking and entering in the daytime

The two were arraigned in Cambridge District Court and their cases were continued. The Cambridge man was released, but the Everett man was unable to post his \$1,000 cash bail and being held in the Cambridge jail.

Two 15-year-old Arlington girls were arrested after allegedly shoplifting from Walgreen's drug store at 324 Massachusetts Ave. The girls, residents of George and River streets. had each taken more than \$20 worth of merchandise, store managers said.

A 26-year-old Wayland man was arrested after an officer saw the man driving erraticly and crossing the center line on Massachusetts Avenue.

He was arrested and charged with failure to keep right and driving while intoxicated. While being booked at the community safety building, police also found a small quantity of what was believed to be marijuana with the man's belongings

On Oct. 2, just before 8 p.m., three Arlington youths were arrested for drinking at the Gibbs Junior High School. A 17-year-old Newcomb Street man, a 17-year-old Randolph Street man and an 18-year-old Foster Street man were all arrested at the school and charged with public drinking and

being minors in possession of alcohol. Later on Oct. 2, a 17-year-old Gloucester Street man was arrested near the skating rink and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol.

On Oct. 3, a 20-year-old Fremont Street man was arrested at Fremont Court for public drinking and being a

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Police arrested a 35-year-old Cam- Massachusetts Avenue, was arrested on Oct. 3 for refusing to show a police officer his license. Police received reports of occupants of a car fitting the man's description acting suspiciously on Lombard Terrace.

Police located the car and stopped it near 8 Lake St. After the asking the man for some identification he refused to show the officer his license and was brought into the station.

On Oct. 4, a Summer Street man was arrested at his home on a warrant from Cambridge District Court for not paying outstanding traffic fines.

Also on Oct. 4, two men were arrested by police officers who were responding to a call of break-in in progress on Park Terrace. Police said they saw the men leaving the scene in

After stopping the men at Medford and Chestnut streets, police found that the men had outstanding warrants out for their arrests

Arrested were a 40-year-old Quincy man for an outstanding Somerville traffic warrant and a 33-year-old Billerica man for driving after his license had been suspended

Larcenies

On Sept. 29, the Unicorn Bookstore at 1210 Massachusetts Ave. reported the 3-foot by 4-foot sign from their front yard had been stolen sometime over night. The black sign with gold lettering was valued at \$500.

A Belmont woman reported her tan wallet had been taken on Oct. 2 while she was at a hair salon at 906 Massachusetts Ave.

On Oct. 3, a Grandview Avenue youth reported his white, Robato skateboard with blue wheels had been taken from his home. The skateboard was valued at \$75

At 7:45 p.m. on Oct. 3, a Wilmington man reported a .25-caliber Beretta pistol stolen from his car, which was broken into while parked on Varnum

Also missing from the car were a pocket holster, 25-30 rounds of ammunition and approximately \$700

Break-ins

POLICE LOG

On Sept. 29, Tech Alternatives on Dudley Street reported that someone had tried to enter the building through the garage door. No entrance was

Also on Sept. 29, a Lakeview woman reported someone had broken into her home and took a Panasonic VCR worth \$634, a Sony tape deck valued at \$130, a Pentax camera worth \$160 and assorted jewlery valued at \$3,000.

A Park Terrace resident told police someone had gained entrace to his home on Oct. 2 and had taken a phone and color television.

On Oct. 3, a Grove Street man reported that two 12-inch by 10-inch windows had been removed from his basement, but no entrance had been gained to his home

Vandalism

Shortly after 5 a.m. on Sept. 29, an employee of T/H Electronics at 466 Massachusetts Ave., reported a 2-foot by 6-foot window at the business had been broken by an unknown object sometime the night before.

The Shepherd and the Lamb at 449 Massachusetts Ave. reported on Sept. 29 that front windows there had been broken by a BB shot sometime the night before

Also on Sept. 29 a Hilton Street resident told police tw#21/2-foot by 11/2-foot windows had been broken by an unknown object.

On Oct. 1, shortly after 7 a.m., an employee of Wal-Lex Glass at 1472 Massachusetts Avenue reported a 50-inch by 90-inch glass plate window had been broken by a brick overnight.

A Hamilton road man reported the mirror of his 1985 Datson had been torn off and someone had dented the vehi cle during the night on Oct. 1.

On Oct. 2, a Edgehill Road man told police an 8-inch by 6-inch screen and a 20-inch by 30-inch storm window had been broken by a beer can about 9:30

At 12:22 a.m. on Oct. 3, police found a 1975 Fiat owned by a Mystic Street woman had been turned on its side

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On Oct. 3, at 3:30 a.m., police found the receivers of two payphones at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Winter Street had been damaged.

Miscellaneous

A five-year-old boy was struck by a car driven by an East Boston man in

front of his Cleveland Street home on Oct. 1 at 5:30 p.m.

The boy was taken to Symmes Hospital where he was treated for

Also Oct. 1, a Cambridge man's 1972 Impala had to be towed after the man hit several gas and water gates and man holes on Lake Street, which is currently being repaved.

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Programs outlined for gifted students

By KARIN LUKAS and WENDY MIMRAN

QUESTION: What programs are available for academically gifted children at the elementary level?

Grotzer, dinator/Teacher, Elementary A.T. and Third Grade Enrichment Programs: Children are identified as academically talented" in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades according to a score based on a combination of California Achievement Test Scores, the score on a 24 item checklist of behaviors completed by classroom teachers, and a score on the McGraw-Hill Test of Cognitive Skills. Approximately 25-30% of students in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades enter the screening process based on outstanding scores on the California Achievement Tests and/or teacher referral from the previous school year. All of the children tested for the program tend to be successful in school. About 15% of the total population of these grades demonstrate need (through the above criteria) for the Academically Talented Program.

The Academically Talented (A.T.) Classes meet for approximately 90 minutes a week at each elementary school in cross-graded groups. The focus of the class in the fall unit is on thinking skills and problem solving approaches. Spring units focus on specific content areas and provide an area of application for skills learned in the fall. The emphasis is a processorientation rather than a productorientation. Children are encouraged to reflect on their thinking process (metacognition) and share their strategies for problem solution with others. There are many opportunities through the children's sharing to illustrate and foster a respect for the unique manner in which children as individuals approach problem solutions. Of the Extended Study Units offered in the Spring, recent selections have included a study of language usage; tessellations; the meaning of history; geology; and elements of art.

Driver in hit and run sentenced

A 32-year-old Hillside Avenue man will serve two years in the house of correction for leaving the scene of an accident in January in which a girl walking to school was injured.

James M. Kennedy was sentenced to two years in the house of correction for leaving the scene of an accident where personal injury occurred, and sentences of one year and 10 days in the house of correction to be served concurrently with the first charge for being uninsured and driving after his license was revoked.

Kennedy began serving his entence after he withdrew his appeal

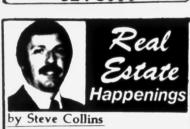
on-Sept. 30.

The charges stem from an accident at 7:39 a.m. on Jan. 21, in which Kennedy apparently lost control of his 1982 Toyota Tercel and struck a junior high school girl walking near 180 Hillside Ave., police said.

He apparently left the accident scene and was arrested at his home a short time later

Kennedy was sentenced in Cambridge District Court on April 28, but had originally appealed the sentence. His attorney withdrew the appeal last

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"Save Your Back" is taught by a

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After receiving a letter asking selectmen to help clear up the lot, town officials went ento the lot and retains.

officials went onto the lot and retrieved property taken from area porches and yards. They also removed wine and beer.

Some youths had apparently set up a tent and were using the lot as a hangout, according to area residents. There have been several reports of brush fires, fireworks and loud disturbances

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Town officials are contacting the owner of the lot, YZM Trust of Beacon Street, Boston, to see if the owner will clean-up and secure the lot.

"Obviously we'll help in getting the area under control," said John Carroll, director of police. "The lot has been a concern for some time. Teenagers can hide back in there. We'll help the owner of the lot in controlling the situation however we can

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Comment

October retirement stirs reflective mood

By EUGENE GOTZ

Special to the Advo

In October Woods A falling bit of color Gently touched my shoulder In reproach at my passing

It is October and I am retired. is my first October as a person not daily pushed by the urgency of the business world. It is October—and a time for reflection

In the timeless flow of nature the end of the year is near. The brightness of the October woods is fading. Soon the trees will loom barren in the cold. We are creatures of nature and perhaps the change of seasons is symbolic of our lives

We have the springtime of our growing and our youth when all is possible, the summer when the blood flows wildly, our voices are thunder and our deeds shout thick and strong, autumn and October when we reap the harvest of our efforts and the world bursts with color-then the year ends-too fast-too quicksummer is gone, and the cold is with

There is a little park near my home. I walk there often as though it were my own. It has a little pond and this year Canadian geese have made it their stopping place. Perhaps they will remain throughout the year. While they remain, I enjoy watching them. They seem foreign to the little pond-huge wild creatures, strange ly content to remain in the tiny bit of water. I watch squirrels storing up food for the winter. They hustle back and forth in a mad pattern.

You and I store things all our lives in preparation for our winter. We store memories, sorrows, joys and the material thing-money-housescars-estates. What should a retired person store and why should he store anything? How much do we need for our winter?

In October woods I am a child again. I delight in walking on the forest carpet bright with color. I run and kick the piles of leaves. I chase the squirrels knowing I will never

I remember my father In the early days
In the time of his summer And the knotty arms With the hard music Still rolling in his hands.

In my professional life October was the time for plans and budgets. This was our grand plan for program X and that was our budget for program Y and this and that was our action plan. Do I need an action plan

In the final analysis, in the October of my life I still remain a human being. I am one with myself. I will live fully until the end. In the endless rhythm of nature I know there will be

Eugene L. Gotz, a resident of Newport Street, Arlington, is a frequent contributor to The Advocate.)

-Images from our past-



Young machinists from an early 20th century Arlington shop kept at their skilled work for long hours. (Courtesy Arlington Historical Society)

YEARS PAST IN ARLINGTON

Ten Years Ago

Arlington's Menotomy Minutemen with their fifes and drums marched 13 miles from Arlington to Carlisle for the annual Thunder Bridge Colonial Muster. The muster was sponsored by the Council of Minutemen and council Lt. John H. Vann of Arlington was vice chairman of the muster.

The team of Joe Forte and Tommy Cooke defeated the Dick Ronan and Bob Brogna team in the playoffs for the championship of the Arlington Golf League. The winning team won the championship at the Pine Meadows Golf Course in Lexington and was awarded the Arlington Young Memorial Cup.

Twenty-five Years Ago

Edward J. Duffy Jr., attorney from Winchester, was elected chairman of the board of directors of the new Suburban National Bank

Fifty Years Ago

In a very impressive installation ceremony, held in Odd Fellows Hall, Harry J. O'Reilly of Grafton Street was installed as grand knight of Arlington Council, No. 109, Knights of Columbus

Gun law conjures mixed feelings

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

By TERRY MAROTTA Special to The Advocate

Save the

siren blasts

TO THE EDITOR:

A law that went into effect in Florida last week allows any adult to carry a concealed weapon, provided he is free of a past stained by crime and substance abuse.

Feeling is strong in Florida both

Should the siren be saved? I cer-

for and against this law; according to a study referred to in Time recently, some 60% of the households there contain firearms

The operant American philosophy here is laissez-faire. Though some maintain that by keeping a gun in your house you risk hurting yourself more than you risk hurting others, it is not within our tradition to make laws that protect us from ourselves.

In an essay on liberty, John Stuart Mill said "the only purpose for which power can be exercised over any member of a civilized community against his will is to prevent harm to others. His own good, either physical or moral is not sufficient warrant.

In other words, if people wish to endanger themselves by keeping firearms, then let them do it. But that same Time article makes a good point when it says that crowds secretly bristling with weapons "at shopping malls, sporting events and even

(Please see GUNS, page 10)

BEACON HILL ROLL CALL

BULLETIN BOARD

Conservation Commission, 8 p.m., planning department, town hall annex

Board of Cemetery Commission, 9 a.m., chapel-office building, Mt. Plea

Park and Recreation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Sports Center, recreation of

Zoning Board of Appeals, 7:45 p.m., second floor hearing room, town hall.

Affirmative Action Advisory Committee, third floor conference room, town

School Committee, 7:30 p.m., sixth floor school committee room, Arlington

Massachusetts House and Senate September 28-October 2, 1987

The House and Senate. "Beacon Hill Roll Call" records local representatives' votes on three roll calls from the week of September 28-October 2. There were no important roll calls in the Senate

Jails (H 6060)- House 120-32, gave near final approval and sent to the Senate the bill providing for a comprehensive state takeover of the maintenance and operation of county correctional facilities

Supporters said the bill is long overdue and will streamline and improve the operation of the corretional system

Opponents said the bill is flawed and claimed the state cannot afford

to assume these costs A Yea vote is for the bill. A Nay vote is against it

Thursday, Oct. 8:

Tuesday, Oct. 13:

Wednesday, Oct. 14:

sant Cemetery

fice, 422 Summer St

hall annex

High School

Representative Robert Havern voted yes. Representative Mary Jane Gibson

Reorg (H 6048)- House 150-0, approved a lengthy plan reorganizing the Executive Office of Economic Af-

fairs and the Department of Commerce and Development. Supporters said the restructuring will redirect and refocus the existing bureaucracy and will be an effective tool in helping Massachusetts'

economic future. A Yea vote is for the bill. Havern voted yes

Gibson voted ves

House 131-18, refused to recommit to the House Ways and Means Committee a bill increasing funding for the community development action program from \$20 million to \$50

tainly think it should be businesses create a promising My home is near the fire station and the blast is loud. To me and my family the daily sound has always

Development Grants (H 38)-In case of a real emergency what better way could there be to alert the

entire town than to sound that siren long and loud The three daily siren soundings do not seem unreasonable to us; they do

seem necessary to make sure that the

been reassuring - a sort of "all's

siren will work if needed.

AIDS panelists given thanks

TO THE EDITOR:

The AIDS presentation done by the four panelists, Dr. Roger Pomerantz, Dr. Robert Carey, Sue Porter, Father Jim Savage, and moderated by Dr. Robert Myer, at Arlington High School, Monday evening, was superb.

I want to thank the doctors for sharing from their expertise the facts and fallacies about AIDS and the crucial need for AIDS education: to Father Savage for helping us better understand the human person suffering from the disease and the importance of reaching out with compassion to its victims and their families, and to Sue Porter who touched the hearts of all who attended.

I would also like to take this oppor tunity to thank John Welch, assistant superintendent of the Arlington School Department, for his encouragement and support in bringing AIDS education to the community

Claudette Lahaie, R.N. Supervisor of Health Services Arlington School Department

Siren is rite of city life

TO THE EDITOR:

Newcomers in town with tender ears and soft heads should take off for the wilds of the woods where you hear only bees, birds and crickets sing Perfect to lull you people into another world, who object for no intelligent reason to stop our 6:45 a.m./p.m. siren. The few fleeting seconds it rings should not upset the lifestyle of any human being

P.S. I suggest "disturbed people" buy a gram of cotton for their ears Bill Santos

Chides manager on siren stance

TO THE EDITOR The town manager is to be con-

gratulated for being so consistent he does have a penchant for favoring newcomers to the town as, opposed to long-time residents who appreciate what he refers to as "a throwback to old-time" tradition. Now he is all for silencing our wonderful siren, which costs the taxpayers so little to operate. Fortunately, the decision to abolish "tradition" is not his to make it is up to the selectnien, who represent the voters

After all these years as town manager, Marquis has become a tradition we could do without Name withheld

Supports nuclear energy

TO THE EDITOR

In discussing nuclear power with my friends, I was shocked at their irrational attitude and how poorly informed they were on the subject. Their pompous, self-righteous attitude was disgusting, yet we who defend nuclear power are accused of having some ulterior motive. It's ob-

vious that they've been brainwashed by those vociferous, misguided and well organized zealots who have access to news media

Some of the statements or questions are as follows. What happens to the nuclear waste generated? How about the radiation danger? What happens if we have a severe earthquake? We don't have an evacuation plan. The Pilgrim plant is poorly managed. How about Chernobyl or the disaster at T.M.I. Here are some answers to their questions

The simple answer to nuclear waste is to return it to the Earth where it came from but France has a better solution. The spent rods are reprocessed and the 3% waste is imbedded in glass barrels and either buried or dumped into the deepest art of the ocean where it poses no ple really enjoy this day danger to anyone.

People worry about the radiation from power plants, yet on average some 8000 people die each year of cancer caused by solar radiation or simply put, sunburn. Meanwhile. we've had as many as 108 power plants in operation for 28 years without a single radiation injury.

If we had a serious earth-quake, I certainly would rather be in a safely built nuclear power plant than on the 15th floor of the Hancock tower

The so-called accident at T.M.I. with its subsequent meltdown proved that an evacuation plan for power plants constructed in the U.S. isn't necessary. There was no significant radiation leakage from the concrete and steel containment dome at T.M.I. As for Chernobyl, it's an aberation, built with a complete disregard for safety and yet Russia plans to have 40 more Chernobyl type nuclear plants on line in 1991

Those headlines referring to the poor management at the Pilgrim Plant in Plymouth are pure baloney. We here in the U.S. pioneered nuclear power. We built the first plant 28 years ago so where in the World would one find better engineers to operate them?

Last summer was cooler than normal, vet there were blackouts all over New England and both industry and consumers were asked to cut back on the use of electricity to ease the shortage. Question! What happens in the future as our need for electricity increases'

My advice to the anti-nukes is to study all the facets of energy. Get all the facts before taking a negative stance and ask yourself if you can get by without electricity. For the record, nuclear power plants provide up to one third of the power for New

It would be poetic justice if a utility company faced with bankruptcy could selectively cut off the electricity to the anti-nukes and leave them to freeze or swelter in the dark. As for my expertise on the above

subject, I am a former power plant employee, a blue collar working stiff now retired

Al Gabis

Town Day needs rules

TO THE EDITOR :

I have always enjoyed "Town Day" in the past and it is understandable that people bring baby carriages.

but why do people bring dogs. I think it's unfair to people looking around trying to enjoy themselves without worrying about stepping on a dog or falling over them, and it is unfair to the dog.

As for the older kids they spoiled it for the little ones. I don't think bikes should be allowed. People could get hurt very easily and so many kids had cans of shaving cream, I was afraid to turn around thinking I would get some in the face. One police officer walked by with four cans in his hand!

I think some rules should be put in the paper for next Town Day and then have the police enforce them. It would be too bad if people had to stay away because of these problems, or if we had to do away with it. I'm sure the elderly people and handicapped peo-

Name Withheld

Hockey club needs funds

TO THE EDITOR:

Arlington Menotomy Hockey Club's Committment to the town's youth is being threatened! The Hockey Club's expenses continue to rise. Learning to play and to continue to play hockey will become harder and harder to afford.

If you are concerned and would like to help secure the tradition of the hockey club in Arlington, please call Arthur Ales at 643-2568. We need concerned people to form a winning fund raising team

Arlington Youth Hockey needs you! Each year the Arlington Youth Hockey association hosts an invitational tournament. Your help is needed! A tournament committee is being formed to work on another successful tournament which will be a credit to our program. If you are willing to help, please contact Mary Ellen Downing, 107 Westmoreland Ave. Without your help, there will be no tournament this year

Glenn P. Hale

Fire, police services praised TO THE EDITOR:

On Sept. 23 around 4 p.m. I had to

call the fire department for extensive heavy black smoke pouring out of my neighbors chimney, who was away at the time of this incident. I cannot give enough praise and thanks to the Arlington Fire and Police Department whom both answered this urgent call within a few minutes. Both of these departments performed their duties professionally and efficiently. We, the public, do not really realize how important these men are until we are forced to call upon them in an emergency. Without them our town would be nothing because their positions are needed and the town of Arlington could not function without. We realize that it doesn't take but a few minutes and an entire life savings in our home can be completely destroyed.

I sincerely hope that the Town Manager can settle their disputes soon, as without their professional assistance this Town of Arlington could not function. Many thanks to all from the owner and the tenants. Words cannot express all of our appreciation.

Mary White

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Take claim for opinions

TO THE EDITOR

I find the letters "To the Editor" one of the most fascinating parts of The Advocate. However, I am always dismayed when I read "Name Withheld" at the end. In the Oct. 1 issue of The Advocate there were two excellent letters one concerning the absurd plan for the Stop and Shop to steal land from the town with the bribe of a pool, and the other about the Bork nomination. Josephine, I would have been proud to sign my full name to your letter, and Name Withheld, regardless of your view, everyone has a right to his opinion, as the saying goes, so claim it.

If you care enough to write, put your name to it. Your parents gave you a name for a reason. Use it. Kathleen Horgan-Burke

Frustrated with program schedule

TO THE EDITOR:

State Rep. Robert Havern III deserves to be commended for his program on local cable TV "Havern on the Hill," which enables him to communicate with his constituents and to give us an insight as to what is going on in the Massachusetts Legislature.

Unfortunately, the local programming schedule on Channel 3 is so mixed up that I have caught Rep. Havern's program only by accident The printed Program Guide showed a listing for Friday, Sept. 25 at 11 a.m. *SEASON PREMIERE* of Havern on the Hill (in caps and starred) Even though I rarely watch TV in the morning, I turned on my set and what do I see? The June 1987 edition of the program!

On Monday, Sept. 28, I called Arlington Cable and was told that, due to unforeseen circumstances, the program had to be re-scheduled to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, the very next day. So I gave it another try at that time and date, just to catch Rep Havern's last words on the program, which obviously had been aired at 7 p.m.! And it might have been the old one at that. I am thoroughly disgusted! It may

be difficult to line up programs for a

whole month, but to give out incorrect

information for the very next day

seems to be unnecessary! Marion S. Savio

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Ghost stories at Robbins House

Storyteller Jennifer Smith will present a program of traditional songs, stories, and superstitions entitled "Goose Bumps" on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 2 p.m. at the Whittemore-Robbins House in Arlington Center.
Is every old house haunted? Come

find out for yourself and hear authentic ghost stories in the restored Vicnotorian parlor of one of Arlington's a most elegant Federal homes. This orprogram of interest to adults and children of all ages is sponsored by the Arlington Historical Commission with funding from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery as administered by the Arlington Arts Council. Admission to the house and program is \$1 for adults

and 50 cents for children. The Whittemore-Robbins House is clocated directly behind the Robbins Library at 700 Massachusetts Ave.

Thompson School apple night

Thursday, Oct. 15 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., all parents, guardians and toteachers are cordially invited to come and sample a variety of tasty, tempting apple treats at your fingertips. Coffee, tea and cider will also be served. This is your chance to meet the Thompson School Administration, teachers and PTO Board. Visit your child's classroom and enjoy an apple of an evening at Thompson School.

Percussion show at Thompson

On Friday, Oct. 9, from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. in the School Gym, the PTO will be sponsoring the unique sound of Spectrum Percussion. The sound of the drums has the children wanting to stand up and march to the beat. This performance should be enjoyed? by all.

Girls Scout fall festival

Fun is in store for everyone when Patriots' Trail Girl Scouts hold an old fashioned Fall Festival on Sunday, Oct. 18. All girls in grades 1-6 are invited to come to the Cedar Hill Outdoor Program Center in Waltham where they will meet new friends, while enjoying an afternoon of games, face-painting, balloons, competitions, and hay rides around the camp.

. Snacks will be provided, and a

great time is in store for all participants. The festival will run from 2-4 p.m. and will cost \$5. Anyone interested in attending should call the Patriots' Trail office at 893-6113 for more details and registration information.

Red Cross fund-raiser

The American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay, Cambridge Region is sponsoring a "Las Vegas Night" fund-raiser on Oct. 23. The event will be held at the Holiday Inn on 30 Washington St. in Somerville from 7:30 p.m. to midnight.

Games to be played will include wheel games, blackjack, roulette, craps, and more. Admission is \$2 per

All proceeds will benefit the programs and services of the five cities and towns within the Cambridge Region. They include - Arlington, Belmont, Cambridge, Somerville, and Watertown.

For more information on the event, please call, 354-7800.

Meditation course offered

Learn the Practice of Meditation: Series begins Fridays, 7:30 p.m., for three weeks Oct. 16, 23, and 30. Free. Divinity's Splendour-Glow, 8 Medford St., Arlington Center. To register call

Hospital auxiliary rummage sale

Symmes Hospital Auxiliary is having a rummage sale on Oct. 22 and 23 at The First Baptist Church, 819 Mass Ave., Arlington.

The Auxiliary is requesting donations for clean clothing, bric-a-brac, and children's clothing

Articles may be left at rear of building on Wednesday, Oct. 21 from noon to 8 p.m., or call Avis 646-9875 for pick-up.

Arlington Catholic parish. class of 1975 plans reunion

Arlington Catholic High class of 1975 is planning a 12-year reunion for November, 1987. Those interested (we need addresses and ideas) should call Maria at 944-9543

St. Agnes embraces century's alumni

By CAROL BEGGY

When Mary Kelley Donaldson and her brothers and sisters first attended St. Agnes Grade School in the late

1920s, they walked to a wooden school on Chestnut Street. Her memories of grade school in-

clude not only the building, but the other students, the sisters who taught there and the activities they participated in. 'It was a very special time and I'm

happy to be visiting with so many of the other students," said Donaldson at a reunion of the St. Agnes classes from 1931 to 1940.

"I really can't describe this special feeling in words," said Donaldson. 'Somehow over the years we've spread out but many people came back to be see each other. Many of the sisters, who taught there, have come

Donaldson, who graduated from St. Agnes in 1934, and more than 230 other graduates from 1931 to 1940 gathered on Sunday for a reunion to celebrate the school's 100th anniversary.

After attending a Mass in St. Agnes upper church, the graduates got to see old friends and classmates during a brunch in the grade school social hall.

Before Sunday's event the graduates wrote in about their favorite

memories and what they've been doing in the 50 or so years since attending Agnes Stacked on the tables for each class

the graduates' responses were similar. Memories: The new school. The sisters. The May processions. Nella Scannell Robichaud, class of

1936, said the area around St. Agnes really hasn't changed all that much in the time since she walked to school. The grade school added a third floor and the old New England Telephone

Building is now Fidelity House, a parish-run community center. "The center is still busy as it was then. Businesses have changed,

though," said Robichaud. When these classes were attending the grade school on Medford Street, all of the 800 students walked to school and nearly everyone was from Arlington.

The school now represents 23 parishes and hs students from 17 communities. About one-third of the students come from outside St. Agnes

Many of the people coming to Sunday's reunion came from Arlington and the Greater Boston area, according to organizer Norma Smith. Some came from the northern New England states and six traveled from outside New England.

'Not only did everyone walk to school, but we went home for lunch in

Rev. Daniel Quinn, at right, gives his former first grade teacher, Sister Victor, a kiss on the cheek during a reunion Sunday of St. Agnes school classes from 1931 to 1940. Above, former student Therese Pawlak meets with Sister Mercita and Sister Williamena during a brunch celebrating the graduates of St. Agnes during the

the middle of the day," said Robichaud. "Of course, it was okay to walk home at any time and you knew your mother was there.

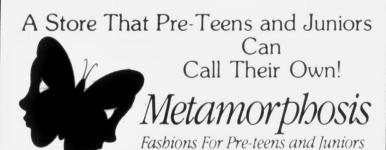
last 100 years. (George Ferrar photos)

Sunday's reunion was part of a year-long celebration to commemorate the 100th year of St. Agnes School. There are events planned for both graduates and students during the rest of the year with a dinner planned in April to wrap up the anniversary

Cardinal Bernard Law is scheduled to celebrate St. Agnes' graduation

'This is a great opportunity,' said Helen Mulcahy, a 1930 graduate. "It's great to see a lot of these people





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Symmes smoking policy keeps job site air cleaner

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helped them Dr. Winslow Green, chief of surgery at Symmes and ex-smoker for 20 years, is one of the more active smoking policy proponents. He said that 20 years ago smoking was very common in the health care community and general population. With more information surfacing on the hazards of smoking as the years passed, the hospital had to take a stand. Green helped to write and enforce the hospital's smoking policy for professional and health reasons.

Smoking in the hospital, he said in several letters on the subject, creates an unprofessional and sloppy atmosphere for the employees and

A 14-year employee and light smoker in patient registration, Elaine O'Connor, agreed. She said she likes the policy because before "it was unprofessional for the public to see everyone puffing away

Since she is not a heavy smoker, she added, it does not bother her to wait for a break to smoke.

Working for years to ban smoking at Symmes, Green started in 1979 by pushing to get the cigarette machines removed from the hospital and establising a committee to enforce the safety regulations in the no-smoking areas. He said that employees were smoking in areas where oxygen was being used, endangering the patients and polluting the air. He added that nurses were even smoking in the emergency room. Even then, that was a direct violation of the smoking policy

Green continued on through the years to get more no-smoking signs put up and more areas designated as nonsmoking and finally formed a committee, which designed both the 1984 and 1985 smoking policies. He added that he wanted to ban smoking in the hospital, but is satisfied with the cur-

rent policy.
Dr. Charles Przyjemski, of pathology, said that the final policy allowing only one smoking area — was a natural progression. Not only did the hospital make a stand for the health care profession, it was following a nor-

mal progression in society. Twenty years ago, he explained, doctors stopped endorsing smoking in advertising when the Surgeon General publicized the harmful effects of smoking. In the early 1970s tobacco advertisements were banned from television and radio broadcasts, and even more evidence was published regarding

other effects of smoking. Then in the late 1970s, he continued, Symmes and other hospitals started removing cigarette machines. Recent management studies have shown that smokers take more sick days and are

less productive. Discourageing smoking, he added, not only makes good health sense, but good financial sense.

Choate-Symmes now offers inhouse classes to help any employee to stop smoking and it foots the bill, said Lipson, because they want to encourage everyone to stop smoking. She added that while there is no data to determine exact numbers, she knows that several employees have quit smoking and others have had to cut down, primarily because they cannot, light up anytime now

Green agreed that it does seem like fewer people are smoking, but he admitted that it may appear that way because he does not see people smoking anymore.

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Temple has fundraiser

Beth El Temple of Belmont is in the middle of a fund raising campaign. The sale is limited to 300 tickets at \$100 a piece. The winner will be able to choose either a 1988 Volkswagen convertible, a 1988 Dodge Caravan, a 1988 Jeep Cherokee or \$10,000 in cash. A gala reception with entertainment, cocktails and deli dinner will be held at the Temple on Nov. 21. Each ticket holder is entitled to bring a guest.

Anyone interested may call 484-6668 to purchase tickets.

Gun law feelings mixed

(Continued from page 8) Disney World" conjures up in many a certain sense of queasiness, if not outright alarm.

Individuals have gone about armed for thousands of years, of course: the custom of extending the hand toward the stranger, they say, originated with the wish to show him a palm empty of weapons. But weapons are different today, and deadlier than they were in the time of the slingshot and the crossbow. A gun especially is different, sleek, sexy product of technology that it is. You can stand yards and yards from your victim a never learn the color of his victim - never learn the color of his eyes, or see the expression on his face - exert a gentle pressure on a slim fingernail of steel, and see him fall a split-second later. It's almost like watching it on TV.

I met a woman of 26 a year or so ago. Let's call her Sandy. She was at loose ends as an 18-year-old, the way she describes it - restless, uncertain of a path for herself, high much of the time, hanging out. Driving around with a pal one night, she said, "I feel like hitting that store."

"You wouldn't dare," he

"Watch me," she told him. She did it, with a knife. Some little time later she did it again, at a gas station, with a gun. She's been in prison ever since, where she pines for a productive life, with love and work

"Would you have used those papons, if the individuals had refused to turn over their money?" I asked her, in the third hour of our talk together.

"Oh no," she said quickly. I could never harm another human being." Many of us feel we could never harm another human being. Why do we seek then to keep in our very homes instruments designed not just to harm other human beings but to drive all life from their living tissue

To protect ourselves from the monstrous benign amorality of people like Sandy, perhaps?

It's a puzzle. I'm a homeowner myself. Over the years, our car has been stolen three or four times. Our house was robbed once and we lost all our wedding silver and every last baby ring and bracelet, everthing the thieves could stuff into pillowcases and climb out a window with.

Would I keep a weapon to ward off further such invasions? I would not A State Representative quoted in the Time piece implied that the new Florida law was bad "because the message we're sending out is 'we can't protect you anymore." If this is true, he suggests, then the society is saying in effect that the day is not far off when we should all get guns and do what we can to protect ourselves.

If he is right, and this day does dawn, then the violence within, violence done both to our spirits and to our hopes for the race, will have far. outweighed in destructiveness any violence that could menance from without

Early work may prompt additional fines

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ment order because they have previously fined the developer \$900 for allowing demolition work too close to Mill Brook. The preservation of the brook is in the commission's jurisdiction.

Although the lawyer representing Rose-Mal Heritage Realty Trust had stated the developer might fight the issuance of the fine, the developer paid the fine to allow work on the project to

Under the order of conditions, if the enforcement order is ratified tonight and a fine assessed it will have to be paid before any work can resume at the site, located at 971-977 Massachusetts Ave.

"They flagrantly violated the order of conditions by allowing the work to begin last week,'' said Stephen Gilligan, chairman of the commission.

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"Members of the commission are not town's name as an insurance policy happy about the present situation."

The Conservation Commission had given approval for the plans for the storm drain, but had not allowed the work to begin pending the developer's compliance with the order of

conditions. off-site disposal plans for the potential hazardous soil found on the site and a review of the developer's performance bond by John Maher, town counsel.

Neither of the issues had been resolved when the developer allowed excavation for the storm drain to begin last Tuesday.

Since the cease and desist order went into effect, an off-site disposal plan has been submitted, but Maher has refused the performance bond for the drainage work because the bond was issued by a company outside the

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covering the work on the storm drain, which will disturb part of the bank of Mill Brook, said Gilligan

The \$50,000 would allow the town to repair any damage done by the storm

drain work, Gilligan said. Joseph Steinkrauss, the lawyer for The commission was waiting for Rose-Mal Heritage Realty Trust, has asked Gilligan to allow the work to resume, but Gilligan denied the request saying the decision will be made by the board tonight.

Reached by telephone yesterday, Steinkrauss said the decision to start construction had been made while he was on vacation and the developer had apparently believed they had been given the go-ahead to start the work on the storm drain.

"It is a classic case of miscommunication," said Steinkrauss, "that led the developer to believe he was allowed to start the work."

Steinkrauss said the developer and

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complying with the Conservation Commission's order of condition since the initial construction work was stopped, such as erosion control in the bank of Mill Brook and on-site soil testing.

"The tests conducted on the site have come back entirely negative, said Steinkrauss.

Steinkrauss said he will wait until the commission's meeting tonight before commenting on what the developer will do if a fine is levied.

"The feelings of at least some members of the commission are that the developer is not being cooperative," said Steinkrauss "However, the developer feels that some of the commission members are not being as cooperative as they could

"I think this is a decision for the" board," said Gilligan. "The members have been reviewing the project and will be able to make a decision then

The developer had hoped to begin construction on the site more than three weeks ago, and had planned on having the foundation of the luxury condominium building in the ground before it freezes. Last week, the commission also

sent a letter to the Department of En vironmental Quality Engineering (DE QE) asking the agency to review soil and groundwater tests done by geotechnical engineers hired by the The commission asked the DEQE.

to advise the commission for dealing with contaminated soil found at the site. The commission has not yell received a written reply.

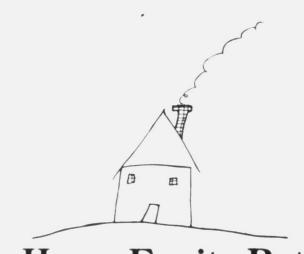
Samples taken from the site shown high levels of contaminants, such as cleaning fluids, on the property. The levels were not found to be hazardous while the soil was undisturbed, but the groundwater had levels of con minante higher than allowable for drinking water

The contaminants apparently came to the site from another location on Massachusetts Avenue, but the Con servation Commission was concerned about them polluting Mill Brook

"We're just looking for advice. We don't believe there's a major problem there," said Gilligan.

Even if the commission allows the project to resume, the developer would be doing so under the warning that the DEQE may stop the project somewhere down the line because the agency finds the soil and groundwater on the site are polluting the area

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